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## WILSON WILL DEMAND FREE SEAS

### LID CLAMPED ON CAPE BY COMMISSIONERS IN FIGHT ON INFLUENZA

Mayor And City Commissioners  
Act After 120 New Cases Are  
Reported In Two Days--Ban On  
Until Dec. 15.

### CONGRESSMAN HAYS IS VICTIM; WIFE ALSO HAS THE DISEASE

Children Are Forbidden To Play  
In The Streets During Campaign  
To Eradicate The Epidemic---  
New Quarantine Ordered

The Mayor and City Commissioners yesterday again issued a closing order on schools and business houses and made the quarantine lid air-tight in an effort to stamp out the epidemic of influenza. The action followed an official report of more than 120 new cases of the disease in two days. The ban will remain in effect until December 15, when it is hoped that the restrictions may be removed.

The public schools will remain closed until January 1, Supt. Crocker announced. Many pupils and teachers have been stricken with the disease during the past week.

Extra policemen will be employed to enforce the quarantine, it was said. Children will not be permitted to play on the street, and crowds will not be permitted to congregate on public corners or in buildings. The closing order does not apply to merchants, but customers are requested to make their purchases and leave the store as quickly as possible.

More than six hundred persons have had the disease since the epidemic was discovered. Many influential people in the city are now ill, but according to the reports, no one is seriously ill at the present time. Judge Edward D. Hays, the congressman-elect, and Mrs. Hays are ill at their home. Mr. and Mrs. Fred Naefer, who have been ill for almost a week are said to have almost recovered.

Following is a list of influenza victims reported from private residences in this city since the epidemic first became prevalent. This list does not include the patients at St. Vincent's Academy or at the Normal school:

Josie and Lola Pearson,  
J. E. Miller,  
Henry Holier,  
Ernest Points,  
Oma Crader,  
Henry Roebig, (2 cases)  
John Van Doren,  
Howard Knapp,  
A. W. Dennis,  
Cora Smith,  
Marie Werner,  
John Raebel,  
Mrs. Balard,  
H. Lindsay,  
Mr. Gibson, (4 cases)  
T. R. Cook,  
Frank Summers,  
Win Estes,  
Al. Mason,  
Jesse Baker,  
Matt Buckner,  
Henry Schwab,  
Mrs. Barnes,  
Clyde McKee,  
Louis Roth,  
John Mathis,  
J. W. Lindley, (5 cases)  
Mrs. Liston Comer,  
Mrs. Bern Davis,  
Georgia Westover,  
J. H. Muttler,  
Mrs. Clara Evans,  
Mr. Schrader, (2 cases)  
M. Ruebel,  
Mr. Neal, 116 S. Sprigg St.  
Reido Nebel,  
Fred R. Kage,  
Mrs. John Schuler,  
John Daume,  
Eu'a Kersterson,  
Martin Hente,  
John Ruebel,  
J. Mathias,  
D. Hilderbrand,  
Mrs. Mat Buckner,  
Mrs. Chas. Nenninger,  
Ray Shannon,  
Rev. Lohman,

Charles Lang,  
Mrs. Lindsay, 21 S. Ellis St.  
L. Cleveland,  
Be's Wathen,  
August Boehle,  
Gus Goeckel,  
Ruth Thias,  
Chas. Miller,  
Adam Rooff,  
Martin Schack,  
G. L. Meyer,  
M. Nichols, (3 cases)  
John Robert,  
Mrs. Evans, Harmony Ave.  
Arthur Cruise,  
Mr. Kersterson, (4 cases)  
Wm. Knapp,  
Edward Haman,  
John Wolter,  
Eunice, Evelyn and Edith Haman,  
Robert Thomas,  
John Ranney,  
John Ruff,  
Roy Rose,  
J. W. Fleming,  
J. J. Hunter,  
Adam Holter,  
Richard Spaulding,  
J. F. Schwepker,  
Ernest Summers,  
Adolph Sprigg,  
A. L. King,  
Mrs. Kim, 25 S. Frederick St.  
Nora Hoffman,  
Mary A. Ranney,  
Pearl Gehrs,  
Edward Belk,  
Mrs. Harry English,  
Mrs. Edw. D. Hays,  
L. T. Lindsay,  
Mr. and Mrs. Roy Jaynes,  
Mrs. Chas. Warner,  
Edward Woods,  
Don Fath,  
Mike Evans,  
Mr. and Mrs. Gentry, 5 S. Hanover Street,  
Odie Skelton,  
Mrs. Bryant and son, 810 North Sprigg St.  
Miss Gray, 145 S. Frederick St.  
L. Hirsch,  
Ed. Swan,  
Werner, 930 William St.  
Albert Maevors,  
Jones Seabaugh,  
Aug. Schiader,  
Mr. Geo. Reyborn and daughter,  
Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Cottrell,  
Mrs. Lynne, 225 S. Pacific St.  
Farrow, 716 S. Ellis St.  
Hilderman, 223 S. Frederick St.  
Joe Wolsey, (3 cases)  
Mrs. Morrison, 26 S. Spanish St.  
W. Osborn,  
Baby Simpson,  
G. O. Reybourn, (3 cases)  
Wagner, 1110 N. Sprigg St.  
Rosa Vasterling,  
Miss Gertrude Knapper,  
Joe Heller, (3 cases)  
Roy Maygraf, (2 cases)  
Werner, 930 William St.

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### With Full Hands and Heart



### JOE J. RUSSELL'S CONDITION SERIOUS

Physician Forbids Him To Go To  
The Capitol--Has Been  
Blind

Congressman Joe J. Russell, who has been ill in Washington for several months, has been ordered by his physician to remain away from the capital until his condition improves. Herbert Smith, editor of the Charleston Courier, and a close friend of Mr. Russell was in the Cape this week and reported the congressman's condition to be virtually unchanged.

"Mr. Russell suffered two strokes during the summer," said Mr. Smith, and for some time he was totally blind. This condition has improved, however, but his condition is still very serious. I received a letter from his secretary a few days ago, stating that the congressman had been compelled to remain constantly in the hospital. His physician has refused him permission to go to the Capitol until his condition has improved.

"Mrs. Russell is also quite ill of stomach trouble," but her condition is not so serious as is Mr. Russell's. I believe the defeat of Mr. Russell is the best thing that could have happened to him. He will now get an opportunity to get a thorough rest, which is absolutely necessary if he is to survive his illness. He would have been better off physically had he retired two years ago."

Mr. Smith said Congressman Russell suffered the second stroke within two weeks after he was first stricken. He was not positive that Mr. Russell's eyesight had been restored, but information received by friends in Charleston indicated that he was again able to see.

### MASONS INITIATE MANY CANDIDATES

Thursday was a gala day in the Masonic circles in this city. There was a special convocation of Wilson Royal Arch Chapter No. 75 for the purpose of conferring the degree of Royal Arch Masonry upon a number of candidates. In all seven Master Masons received what is known in masonry as the chapter degrees. The work of conferring degree began promptly at 1 o'clock p. m., and continued until late in the night. At 6 o'clock in the evening the ladies of the order of the Eastern Star, the ladies auxiliary of Masonic order, served a very fine luncheon to the members of the chapter.

The following persons from out of town received the degrees: James A. Caldwell, Jackson, Missouri; J. F. Angel, J. M. Caruthers, J. D. Barks,

### O. Wilson And Cousin Woodrow Off For France

Head And Shoulders Of Famous Family To Swap  
Ideas At Peace Meeting--  
Will Call On The King.

(By Wireless)  
Somewhere at Sea, Dec. 7, 1918

Friends: Well, here I go over to the peace conference with Cousin Woodrow. I hope this boat don't hit a mine. If it does, I'll not go down without a struggle.

I made the acquaintance of all on board, and they seemed tickled to death to meet me. My new celluloid collar glistens like a six pound gun on one of them torpedo boats that's trailing us looking for some submarines that ain't surrendered. I wonder what the King will say when I climb off this vessel and shake his wing. I always did want to get next to a King. I don't want to fall out with any of them nabobs over there, but I am going to slip it to the King right off the bat that I'm here to back up Cousin Woodrow on every one of them fourteen points, even if I have to throw some lord down and get straddle of him. But I don't want to fight unless pushed.

I understand me and Cousin Woodrow will bunk with the King as soon as France gets through making a fuss over us. I am told that Lloyd George could use me in his campaign, and if Cousin Woodrow can spare me from the peace caucus, I will make a few speeches boosting Lloyd. I want to tell the folks over there anyway just how I was treated down in Dunkin' when I made the race for Senator. That was rough stuff the Democrats handed me, but of course I never criticize the Democrats before Cousin Woodrow, because he's one of them. From what I hear, the big fight at the peace meeting will be over the freedom of the seas. I and Lansing are loaded for 'em on that point, but I can't show my hand now, because some German spy might tip it off to London and that would spill the beans for Cousin Woodrow.

The farther this boat gets away from the bank, the more I think of my old constituents in Cape Girardeau, but I ain't sea sick yet. I want to go through my valise and try and locate some of the blotters I had printed in the last campaign with my picture on 'em. I want to drop one on the King and Queen's desk while I'm visiting at their house.

Well, I hear the first call for supper, so I'll beat it in and avoid the rush. So long.

P. S.—This is pretty soft. I hope Cousin Woodrow don't find out that we ain't no kin.

and E. F. Hitt of Advance. Those from the city receiving degrees were F. A. Kempfner and John F. Neal. Many Royal Arch Masons from surrounding towns were in attendance at this meeting.

### BLOOMFIELD SON MURDERS MOTHER

Clubs Her To Death With Rail  
When He Suffers Mental  
Collapse

William Coleman, a farmer living near Bloomfield, murdered his mother last Saturday afternoon, by beating her to death with a rail. Young Coleman's mind has been somewhat deranged for several months and his health has been very bad. It is said that he became mentally unbalanced from worry of being in the draft and his health became so bad that he was sent away and treated by specialists, where he seemed to improve to the extent that the doctors pronounced him well. After he returned to his home he was married and then he again became very sick and was thought to be losing his mind. He was again sent to St. Louis where the doctors pronounced him to be well enough to return home. His wife and mother, it is said, tried to be with him all the time possible to keep him from worrying and it seems that he and his mother were out in the yard at their home and he was chopping wood. His mother was picking up wood from the ground when the son suddenly became enraged and crushed her skull with a rail.

He was taken to Bloomfield and placed in the county jail where he will probably be examined and sent to the state hospital.

Sheriff McNeil stated that Coleman walked his cell and wrung his hands and asked to be sent home and refused to eat only what he fed him personally.

### KANSAS CITY LINE LOSES 8c FARE.

Three Federal Judges Decline to  
Grant Order Permitting 2c Increase.

Kansas City, Kan., Dec. 6.—The petition of the Kansas City Railways Company for an order permitting it to increase its fare to 8c was denied here today by three federal judges, sitting en banc.

### SPRINGFIELD, MO., SCHOOLS CLOSED AGAIN BY FLU

Springfield, Mo., Dec. 6.—The public schools were ordered closed today for the second time as a result of a new outbreak of the influenza.

### PRESIDENT WILL INSIST ON POINT, CAPITAL THINKS

Great Britain Does Not Want To  
Relinquish Naval Supremacy,  
But Wilson Will Make Demand  
At Peace Conference

### PRESIDENT GIVEN ENTHUSIASTIC FAREWELL AS HE BOARDS SHIP

Former German Kaiser Expresses  
Willingness To Face Trial--Will  
Place The Blame For War, Then  
He Says

Washington, Dec. 6.—President Wilson's trip to the peace conference in France, which was begun Wednesday, may bring about freedom of the seas, is the general opinion in Washington.

While he has repeatedly expressed himself in no uncertain terms in favor of freedom of the seas, there seems to be a determined effort in England to decline to make this concession. It is believed that President Wilson will reiterate his determination for free seas at the conference.

New York, Dec. 6.—Bound on a mission the principal objects of which are the abolition of militarism and the attainment of a just world peace, Woodrow Wilson, first president of the United States to visit Europe while in office, is speeding across the Atlantic toward France to attend the greatest international conference in history.

On the transport George Washington, one-time German passenger liner, manned by a navy crew and with deck guns ready for action, and accompanied by a naval convoy, the president left New York harbor today amid a demonstration without parallel in the history of the port.

The president took his place on the flying bridge as the great ship moved down the bay. River craft and ships of many nations dipped flags and teated whistles and thousands of persons bade him God speed in cheer and flag waving from skyscrapers and piers.

Off Quarantine, where Staten Island throngs waved and shouted a second farewell and monitors, gunboats and artillery men at Fort Hamilton joined in saluting gunfire, the George Washington met its ocean convoy—the superdreadnaught Pennsylvania and a quintet of destroyers. With her official consort and ten other destroyers, which joined the fleet for a cruise to the limit of American territorial waters, the George Washington disappeared over the eastern horizon shortly after noon.

Wilson left his native shores, according to persons who conferred with him before the George Washington sailed determined against militarism in any form. He feels that the crushing of Prussian militarism is part of his plan for the future peace of the world, these informants said.

In command of Admiral Mayo, the peace squadron is heading, it is understood, for Brest, an American demarkation port in France. Its date of arrival is uncertain, but a quick passage is not required, as ample time remains for conference preliminary to the main peace assemblage. Off the French coast the president will be welcomed by a squadron of American warships. French, British and Italian vessels also, it's expected, will join in the greeting at sea, which will be followed by a succession of official ceremonies, marking the progress of the American executive to Paris to the war front, and presumably to capitals of Great Britain, Belgium and Italy.

Amerongen, Holland, Dec. 6.—"I am a private citizen, and while in Holland will not make any statement whatever for publication."

This was the former German emperor's message to the Associated Press correspondent when he called at Count von Bentinck's castle again today.

The German general acting as orderly (formerly governor of Metz) brought the message direct from William Hohenzollern, who last evening was inclined to make a public declaration, but today changed his mind. The message continued: "You must fully realize my position. I am threatened on all sides

with criminal charges, which, if brought, I must face. Therefore, I must reserve any statement until charges are actually brought.

"Also, I owe a certain loyalty to the present German government and cannot make a declaration which might compromise others."

The correspondent requested the general to ask the former emperor whether he would confirm the Crown prince's assertion regarding the Kruger telegram and the general brought back the answer: "The Crown Prince is absolutely correct in his facts. The telegram, already written, was laid before me for signature."

"I refused to sign it for three days, but finally did so under pressure of the German diplomats and my political advisers, who advanced many reasons for sending the dispatch. Of course, having signed it, I take full responsibility."

The former emperor and empress are leading a very quiet life. Their table is of the simplest; in fact, they have submitted to regulations requiring them to be rationed for bread and butter and other edibles just as the ordinary country folk. Occasionally they walk in the surrounding woods but recent days have been so wet that it has been almost impossible for them to go out except for a carriage ride.

### CAPE GIRL, ONLY 15, WEDS BIGAMIST

Miss Tallent and Husband Held  
by East St. Louis Police--She  
Will be Freed

George A. Piggot, formerly of Cape Girardeau, and his 15-year old bride, formerly Miss Nellie Lee Tallent, (20) of Cape Girardeau, are held prisoners in East St. Louis, where he is charged with bigamy.

Piggot and Miss Tallent were married in St. Louis by Dr. C. W. Tallent, presiding elder of the St. Louis Methodist Conference. The youthful appearance of the bride was responsible for the arrest. When searched at the East St. Louis police station, the marriage certificate was found. The girl told the police she was just 15 years of age and that she had met Piggot in Cape Girardeau three years ago.

He admitted having a wife and 3 children living at Benton, Ill. He says he brought suit for a divorce 3 months ago and supposed the decree had been granted. He will likely be prosecuted and his bride set free.

The bride is a relative of George Tallent, the former Cape Girardeau policeman.